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“Prison overcrowding is

such a serious problem in California that a federal judge had threatened to release dangerous criminals into your community. That’s why the Legislature has passed a reform package that increases capacity and focuses on prisoner rehabilitation.

The Legislature has put the safety of families before politics by making sure that violent offenders stay locked up behind bars where they belong.”

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“Public safety is the primary duty of government. Its top priority must be to keep dangerous criminals off the streets.”



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Keep
dangerous
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Both political parties have come together in Sacramento to solve the prison crisis. The Legislature and Governor have agreed that the most important thing is keeping the people of California safe.

The Legislature has acted to keep violent criminals away from our communities.

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With thousands of inmates being held in gyms, dayrooms and hallways rather than secure cells, a federal judge had threatened to order the early release of prisoners. The Legislature has acted to end overcrowding and prevent early release.

The prison reform package is a long-term road map to keep dangerous criminals out of neighborhoods. By adding 53,000 new beds, including 13,000 locally, California will have the capacity to house dangerous offenders. Prisons and jails will focus on vocational education and job training programs so those who have completed their sentences will become productive members of society.



The renewed focus on rehabilitation will better prepare inmates for employment once they are released, rather than commit another crime. If they do re-offend, there will be room behind bars.

By taking such responsible action, the Legislature has acted to prevent a costly federal takeover of the state's prison system. California will also continue to transfer prisoners out of state for the next four years until the new prison space is ready.

Members of the Legislature have demonstrated real leadership for California's future by taking this step to keep those who wish to do others harm out of your neighborhood.

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